Land to displaced adivasis

1925. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMAD KHAN (DURRU): Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether necessary compensations including alternative land have since been provided to those Adivasis who were displaced from their home land (Trombay village) at Trombay Hills which was acquired for the construction of multistoried building for BARC's employees;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when, the whole process of settlement of the displaced Adivasis would be finalised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY (SHRI SATYABRATA MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) The Department of Atomic Energy had acquired the land at Trombay Hills in the year 1956 under the Land Acquisition Act of 1894 through the Government of Maharashtra by completing the acquisition proceedings including payment of necessary compensation to the owners of the land.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Does not arise.

Impact of Radiation on workers

1926. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the high radiation which has effected adversely on workers engaged in various atomic power plants in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have chalked out any strategy to deal with the situation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY (SHRI SATYABRATA MUKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) do not arise.

Waiting-list of telephone connections in J&K

1927. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons on waiting-list for telephone connections in Jammu & Kashmir as on the 31st March, 2003;

(b) whether any time-frame has been fixed for clearance of the waitlisted applications; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to clear the backlog?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) The number of persons on waiting-list for telephone connections in Jammu and Kashmir as on the 31st March 2003 is 43969.

(b) Efforts are being made to clear the waiting-list in the current financial year *i.e.* by 31.3.2004.

(c) Wireless in Local Loop (WLL) system has already been installed at 13 places and non-feasible cases are being cleared. During 2003-04 BSNL has plannned to add 17000 lines of switching capacity and 15000 lines of Wireless in Local Loop (WLL) capacity in Jammu & Kashmir.

C.A.G's revelation of shortcomings of MTNL Services

1928. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the performance review by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on the quality services provided by the MTNL has revealed several shortcomings;